AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Changes for section: BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION, Prior Art

On page 1, lines 12-15, please amend the paragraph as follows:

A typical showerhead is comprised of a ball adapter attached to a water pipe extending from a wall, and a flared head attached to the ball adapter. Spray holes on the bottom end of the head emit a continuous shower of water along a water pathway with an upstream portion and a downstream portion at the head when the water is turned on. The head is pivotable on the ball adapter to direct the shower.

Changes for section: BRIEF SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION

On page 2, lines 8-12, please amend the paragraph as follows:

The objects of the present anti-clogging showerhead device are:
to more completely drain a showerhead to reduce mineral deposits and thus clogging; to drain the showerhead automatically or by manual control; and to ~~be retrofittable to~~ present a device that may be retrofitted to a prior art showerhead

system or water pipe, or ~~to be~~ provided ~~in~~ with a new showerhead system or water control valve.

On page 2, lines 13-22, please amend the paragraph as follows:

An anti-clogging showerhead device is comprised of an air pathway communicating with the water pathway and disposed along said water pathway upstream of the spray holes of a showerhead. When the water is turned off, air is drawn by the draining water into the showerhead above the spray holes through t he air pathway. Therefore, suction above the water is prevented from developing, and the showerhead is able to drain more completely. The air pathway may be provided in the water pipe extending from the wall, in the showerhead, or in an add-on tubing connected between the showerhead and the water pipe. The air pathway may be comprised of a permanently open hole or a valve, which may be an automatic or manual valve. The automatic valve is preferably comprised of a flexible membrane which is pushed by a raised level of water pressure against [[a]] said hole when the water is turned on, and retracted from the hole when the water is turned off and the pressure subsides. Alternatively, the valve may be comprised of a flap valve, a ball valve, a manual valve, [[etc.]] and the like.